

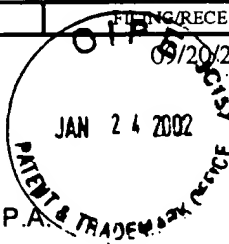


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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$652.
 - \$252 for 14 total claims over 20.
 - \$400 for 5 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1492.

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Title: METHOD OF PREPARING AND
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Attorney Docket No.: RTI-128R

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Attention: Box Missing Parts

Sir:

This is in response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b). Enclosed is a copy of said Notice and the following documents and fees to complete the filing requirements of the above-identified application.

- (X) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. The above-identified application is the same application, which the inventor executed by signing the enclosed declaration.
- (X) Statutory basic filing fee of \$740.00. (X) Utility() Design
- (X) Additional claim fees of \$672.00 (\$252.00 for 14 total claims over 20 and \$420.00 for 5 independent claims over 3).
- (X) Missing Parts Surcharge of \$130.00.

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